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SUBJECT: UNSSOD: IRAQI DRAFT RESOLUTION ON MILITARY AND NUCLEAR ASSISTANCE

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1. WE DISCUSSED IRAQI DRAFT RESOLUTION WITH MOFA HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIVISION TESFAYE MEKASHA, JUNE 12. WE LEFT HIM A NON-PAPER MAKING APPROPRIATE POINTS FROM REFTEL AND URGED THE ETHIOPIAN GOVT TO VOTE NEGATIVE OR AT A MINIMUM TO ABSTAIN.

2. TESFAYE WAS NOT AWARE OF THE ISSUE. HE READ OUR NON-PAPER WITH INTEREST AND PROMISED TO DISCUSS OUR VIEW-POINT WITH THE "DECISION-MAKING" LEVEL IN THE MOFA. HE TOLD US THAT HE COULD NOT PREDICT THE ETHIOPIAN DECISION ON HOW TO VOTE ON THE IRAQI RESOLUTION.

3. COMMENT: IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT HOW THE ETHIO-PIANS WILL DECIDE THIS ISSUE. ON THE ONE HAND SOME OF THEIR BEST FRIENDS (E.G. EASTERN BLOC) AND ENEMIES (E.G. SAUDI ARABIA) ARE TOGETHER IN OPPOSING THE
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IRAQI DRAFT RESOLUTION. ON THE OTHER HAND, SOME OF THEIR BEST FRIENDS (E.G. CUBA) AND ENEMIES (E.G. SOMALIA) ARE IN FAVOR OF IT. OUR ARGUMENTS WERE PROBABLY CONVINCING TO THE WORKING LEVEL OF THE MOFA, BUT THE ETHIOPIAN DECISION WILL PROBABLY BE MADE ON A MORE POLITICAL BASIS. TESFAYE PROMISED TO KEEP US INFORMED TO THE BEST OF HIS ABILITIES. WILL ADVISE AS

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